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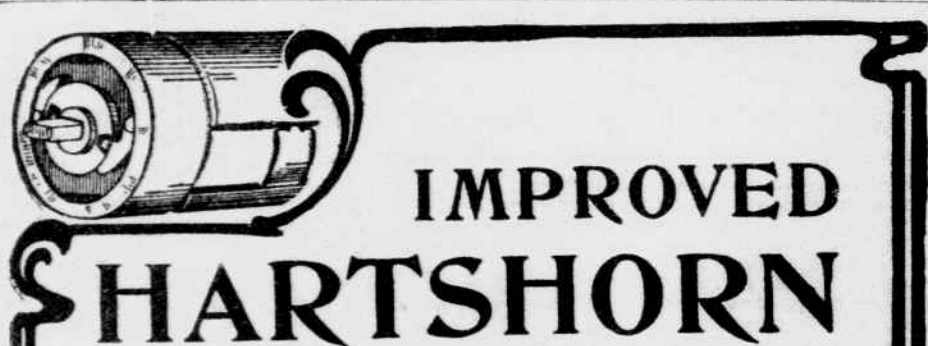
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VIEWS OF AN OBSERVER

Mr. T. N. Waddell Witnesses Successful Flight of 25 Miles.

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First Offered to United States Government and Declined—Possibilities of the Machine.

The only man in Washington who has ever seen a flying machine fly is Mr. T. N. Waddell of the census office. It was more or less an accident that he was one of the witnesses, but he had that satisfaction and saw the Wright Brothers' aeroplane last fall when it made the longest flight it had ever made up to that time, a distance of something over twenty-five miles. Since then it has made even longer flights, and it looks as though the problem of flying machines has been practically solved. This government was offered the rights to the machine, but for some inexplicable reason would not even send an officer to observe the claims of the inventor were well founded. Their invitation was laughed at, so to speak, and the result was that the rights have been sold to the French government, which sent a commission all the way from Paris to investigate the device.

The achievement of the Ohio man is the more remarkable because the Wrights are not wealthy and have little except their hands and a remarkable mechanical faculty for capital. They keep a little bicycle repair shop out in Dayton and earn a living—quite a good living, but nothing extraordinary—by working at their trade while they are experimenting with their machine. They have been in constant communication with the leading scientists of the country while going ahead with their work. In fact they are probably better known to the scientists of the world today than they are to their fellow townsmen in Dayton.

Mr. Waddell's Opportunity.

The accident of Mr. Waddell's meeting with them was that he was employed on some work for the census office in Ohio last fall and, being in close touch with some of the town officials who knew the Wrights, he was invited out to witness one of the flights of the machine. It happened to be the best and longest flight that had been made up to that time, and but for the oversight of not entirely filling the fuel tank it could have been continued a hundred miles further.

The machine itself looks like a street car with the sides knocked out, and is so simple, it is almost surprising that it flies. The engine is about the size of an ordinary office waste basket and drives two high-speed propellers at the stern. In the front there are two extended arms that bear a canvas guide that regulates the flying height of the ship. It has a pair of runners underneath more or less like a sled, and lights on them without injury. The machine comes down. On the day in question, when Mr. Waddell witnessed the flight, the fuel tank was full and the machine alighted a considerable distance down the road, a little house where it is kept. Mr. Waddell asked if he should come along to help bring the machine back to the house, but one of the brothers, taking up a small can of fuel, said to come on if he wanted to, but there probably would be no help required. They walked down the road, and when the machine was sitting, poured the gasoline into the tank and, starting the engine at slow speed, let the machine lift itself clear of the ground and walked it back to the house.

"It was about the most uncanny sensation I ever experienced," said Mr. Waddell, "except the other sensation of seeing that machine with a man aboard flying around in circles over our heads and responding to the will of the operator."

Possibilities of the Machine.

When asked what he thought of the practical possibilities of the machine he smiled and said:

"Well, it is a thing that one feels a little hesitancy in talking about. I can only tell you what I saw and the way the thing appeared to me. It seemed, so far as I could see, that the operator guided the machine in the air just the same as you or I would guide an automobile on the ground. It flew in big circles around what have amounted to about a half-mile race track, and there seemed no limit to the distance it would go, except as to the amount of fuel."

"The engine they used is not bigger than an ordinary waste basket and I cannot see why, if they build a bigger engine and a bigger machine, that it should not work just as well as carry more weight."

The Wright brothers are both quite young men. They made a number of experiments at Kittyhawk in North Carolina, where the ground was favorable for their trials. After they got the machine to its present stage they were able to continue their work at Dayton, where their home is located.

Hyattsville News.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

HYATTSVILLE, Md., May 8, 1906.

Dr. Joseph R. Owens, who has been a councilman from the third ward since the establishment of the present form of local government in 1900, was yesterday elected mayor of Hyattsville, receiving 173 votes out of 187 cast. There was no opposition candidate. The contest in the third ward between the friends of Dr. Joseph A. Mudd and Capt. Roger C. Bellis was spirited, the former winning out by the vote of 42 to 37. Dr. Mudd serves for two years. In the first ward there was no opposition to the re-election of councilman John Palmer, Jr., and Chas. N. Darnall. The former will serve for two years, the latter, serving one year, being elected to serve out the unexpired term of W. W. Maloney, resigned.

In the second ward there were three candidates, Messrs. Edwin Devlin, Jr., Charles N. Long and Dr. C. A. Czarra. The first named was victorious, securing fifty votes to nine for Long and six for Czarra. The mayor and councilmen-elect all favor the installation of the electric lighting plant, and immediate steps will be taken to provide this improvement. The people have already voted favorably upon the proposition to bond the town for \$2,000 for this purpose, and the bonds have been sold to the First National Bank of Hyattsville.

A large delegation from the fire department visited Mayor-elect Owens' home last night and tendered him hearty congratulations. He was presented with a bouquet of flowers. When farmers in this town here made the presentation speech on behalf of the delegation, declaring that Dr. Owens had been the father of all improvements in Hyattsville, and congratulating him, upon the fact that the members of the council would support him in his policy of progress. The delegation also visited the home of Councilman-elect Mudd and Devlin.

People of Durango Easily Satisfied and Without Ambition.

GREAT PLACE FOR TRADE

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RECENT HOLD-UP BY AMERICANS

Big Profits to Be Made From Corn and Beans—Hard to Get Land—Large Estates Kept Uncultivated.

BY WILLIAM E. CURTIS.

Special Correspondence of The Star and The Chicago Record-Herald.

DURANGO, Mexico, May 8, 1906.

Durango is a rich old town. It is surrounded by resources of unlimited value, mineral and agricultural, but there seems to be no disposition to develop them. The town appears to be asleep. Perhaps it is due to the lazy worm that affects the people of certain sections of our southern states. Perhaps it is the climate. Perhaps the Durangans are easily satisfied and are contented with what they've got. But, whatever the reason may be, there is an evident indifference in this community to the idle wealth around it. If a few hundred energetic Americans could come down here they might make fortunes, provided they did not fall victims to the enervating atmosphere and adopt the indolent habits of the people.

When I was here ten years ago the most interesting thing I saw was a new theater, which was being erected by the state upon classic lines. It is still being erected. The work of construction has been going on for nearly half a century, and within the last few years it has been completed. The theater is a masterpiece of architecture, and the building is ready for opening. The Durangans are easily satisfied and are contented with what they've got. But, whatever the reason may be, there is an evident indifference in this community to the idle wealth around it. If a few hundred energetic Americans could come down here they might make fortunes, provided they did not fall victims to the enervating atmosphere and adopt the indolent habits of the people.

Important Trading Place.

Durango is an important trading place. It is the center of supplies for a large and rich mining district, but, although it is not far from our boundary line, and a train comes in from San Antonio every day, Americans do not take much part in commercial affairs. Most of the business is done by Germans. There is an up-to-date American grocery on the plaza which keeps a line of canned goods and provisions such as flour, sugar, coffee, and other necessities. The telephone service is in charge of an American. There is an American sawmill and planing mill and there are a number of other small businesses. The stores, however, are full of goods from Germany and are conducted by Germans in the old-fashioned, conservative, European way. The Durangans are easily satisfied and are contented with what they've got. But, whatever the reason may be, there is an evident indifference in this community to the idle wealth around it. If a few hundred energetic Americans could come down here they might make fortunes, provided they did not fall victims to the enervating atmosphere and adopt the indolent habits of the people.

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Mr. Roy, the painstaking and thoughtful consul of the United States here, tells me there are about 100 Americans in Durango, 500 in the surrounding mining districts and about 1,500 in the neighboring town of Torreon. Three of our most enterprising fellow-countrymen are hors d'combat, as one might say, and are likely to be for the next few years, unless their time is needed for good behavior. They endeavored to introduce one of the popular American customs into Mexico and held up a train on the Mexican Central railway at a point near the town of Torreon. The express car at a station and "covered" the messenger with their guns. The third went into a second-class car, pretended to be drunk and refused to pay his fare. The conductor stopped the train to put him off. This gave the men in the express car an opportunity to get off with their booty, their comrades joined them, and they took to the brush.

They were all Texans. One of them, Mr. Ingram, has been a bartender for years, another, Mr. Whitaker, was formerly in the United States customs service on the border, having secured his appointment by a civil service examination. The third, Mr. Parish, is a miner. These gentlemen divided about \$48,000 in silver bullion belonging to the Mining Company, a Mexican corporation under German management, and then separated. Mr. Parish went back to the mines and resumed work as usual, although he was immediately expected and placed under surveillance. Mr. Ingram undertook to escape from the country on foot, but could not find water and had to seek refuge in a village, where he was arrested. Mr. Whitaker stole a horse and started across the plains, shooting a number of Mexicans in the process, and was arrested for horse stealing when he finished his ten years' sentence for train robbery. The Mexicans are quite generous, however, in their allowances. A term of imprisonment is counted from the day of arrest and a prisoner is allowed to go out on bail, and six months each year are deducted for good behavior. Therefore, these gentlemen will have to serve only about a year instead of ten for which they were actually sentenced. It was the first train robbery that ever occurred in Mexico.

Big Profits in Corn and Beans.

It may be more prosaic and it does not sound so business-like, but there is more money in cultivating corn and beans than in gold or silver or copper mining. Corn and beans will pay better than coffee or sugar or rubber and there is no risk. There is more money in corn and beans than in any other industry in Mexico except raising peppers, but they are troublesome and risky. When farmers in this town here made the olden days got forty cents in silver a bushel for their corn they were making a good profit. Since the railways were built and the Durangans have been able to ship their corn to the coast, the demand was never so great as now. The corn crop has never been sufficient for the wants of the people, and since the coal mines and the cotton belt have been de-

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